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Enclosed is a copy of an Official Action dated February 13, 2008 for the above identified patent application.

The Official Action is incomplete in that the text of the Official Action includes only pages 2 - 4, while it is apparent that there should be additional text beyond page 4.

Moreover, the Official Action indicates that only Claims 1 - 16 are pending in this application, and objects to Claims 4 - 16 as being dependent claims which are dependent upon another multiple dependent claim. This is incorrect in that a Preliminary Amendment filed with the original application papers

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deleted the multiple dependent format of the original claims, and presented Claims 1 - 20 (not Claims 1 - 16) for examination. Enclosed is a true copy of a postcard stamped by the Patent & Trademark Office acknowledging receipt of the Preliminary Amendment on July 19, 2006. Accordingly, the Official Action issued February 13, 2008 failed to examine the claims currently pending in the present patent application.

For the reasons discussed above, Applicant respectfully requests:

1. that the Patent & Trademark Office issue a new and complete Official Action, superseding the February 13, 2008 Official Action, addressing pending Claims 1 - 20 as presented in the Preliminary Amendment; and

2. that the February 13, 2008 Official Action be withdrawn, and that the time for responding to the Official Action be restarted from the mailing date of the new Official Action superseding the February 13, 2008 Official Action.

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